

December 15, 2010

**ITEM NO. A1**

**RECOMMENDATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL  
AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO FOR EDUCATIONAL  
SERVICES**

**To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:**

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners (“Board”) authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the City Colleges of Chicago (“CCC”) for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.

**FUNDING**

**General Fund and Section 3 Fund**

**Vendor:** City Colleges of Chicago  
**Address:** 226 W. Jackson  
Chicago, Illinois 60606

**Contract Type:** Intergovernmental Agreement  
**Contract Term:** January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011  
**Contract Amount:** \$1,000,000 NTE

**M/W/DBE Participation: Not Feasible**

**Section 3: Not Feasible**

**EXPLANATION**

The Chicago Housing Authority’s Plan for Transformation represents a new beginning for public housing in Chicago. The CHA has partnered with CCC since 2005 to establish education and training programs for CHA residents and former CHA residents who have temporarily relocated to the private market with a Housing Choice Voucher. The goal of the IGA has been to support self-sufficiency for families by creating a continuum of education and training opportunities that allow CHA residents to advance over time to progressively higher levels of education, and obtain certification and employment that should ultimately result in better paying careers in areas of economic importance.

Under the IGA, existing degree and certification programs have continued to be made available to CHA residents at no cost in a variety of industries. In addition, customized bridge programs

have enabled residents needing more extensive educational support to move towards entry into degree and certification programs or directly to employment. City Colleges provides staff dedicated to support residents as they attend educational programs. They also provide assistance with navigating CCC's enrollment procedures, help with decision making about educational and employment tracks and ensure continued attendance in CCC's educational programs through tutoring and retention services. In 2011, the IGA will continue to provide for the delivery of educational services to CHA residents at a variety of educational levels as well as to provide support while residents are engaged in educational activities.

CCC's staff dedication and CHA participants' desire to achieve self-sufficiency is demonstrated by 2010 program outcomes. As of October 2010, 206 residents have completed a degree/certificate program, an additional 81 are currently enrolled and another 14 are waiting for their programs to begin. In addition, 87% of program registrants have completed or still remain in their degree/certificate program, a 4% increase in retention from 2009. CCC staff have conducted educational sessions with CHA case management providers (e.g. FamilyWorks), and over 475 residents have attended an orientation.

Based on the foregoing, it is in the best interest of the CHA to authorize the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to enter into an IGA with the City Colleges of Chicago for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-160**

**WHEREAS,** the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated December 15, 2010, entitled, “RECOMMENDATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES”;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY**

**THAT,** the Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City Colleges of Chicago (“IGA”) for the period of January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011 in an amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.

